

Supplementary Information for

Centromere repositioning causes inversion of meiosis and generates a reproductive barrier

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SI Materials and Methods

Strain Constructions. All *S. pombe* strains used in this study are listed in SI Appendix, Table S5. Single inner kinetochore deletion strains (e.g., *fta6∆*, *cnp3∆* and *mhf2∆*) are from the commercial Bionner *S. pombe* deletion library (1). The double-mutant *cnp3∆fta6∆* strains were obtained from genetic crossing between *fta6∆* and *cnp3∆*. The strains carrying both a neocentromere (or Cnp1 spreading) and the *otr1R::ura4* marker were obtained by crossing the *otr1R::ura4* marker strains (strain SPT999a or SPKY10) with strains carrying different neocentromeres (*mhf2*+*cen2*inactive, *mhf2∆cen1*inactive or *mhf2*+*cen1*inactive). Construction of heterozygous gene deletion diploid strains and recovery of their meiotic haploid progeny were performed following standard procedures (2).

Chromatin Immunoprecipitation (ChIP). The procedure was performed as described previously (3). Anti-H3K9me2 (ab1220, Abcam) and anti-Cnp1 (gift from Robin Allshire, U. Edinburgh) antibodies were used for immunoprecipitation. Unless specified, yeast cells were cultured in YES medium at 29°C and harvested in the log phase. Temperature sensitive (*ts*) strains were cultured at 26°C (labeled as 26°C), or cultured at 26°C and then shifted to 36°C for 6 hours (labeled as 36°C). Biological replicates (labeled as "#") were performed in several indicated strains by H3K9me2 and Cnp1 ChIP-seq. Other ChIP-seq experiments were performed once.

High throughput sequencing and data analysis. The commercial library preparation kit (KAPA) and manufacturer's procedures were used for ChIP-seq library construction. Briefly, the DNA libraries were sequenced on the Ion PGM^{TM} system (Life Technologies). Raw reads were aligned to the assembly *S*. *pombe* genome ASM294v.2.22 using Burrows-Wheeler Aligner (BWA)'s default parameters, which randomly assigned the ChIP-seq reads to the repetitive DNA sequences. Model-based Analysis of ChIP-seq (MACS) was used for peak calling of nucleosome positioning. The mapped reads in individual samples were normalized by sequencing depth in million reads. The ChIP-seq data were visualized using Integrated Genome Viewer (IGV).

Microscopy. Ndc80-GFP tagged strains were grown at 29°C and treated with thiabendazole (TBZ, 20 µg/ml) for 30 min before microscopic observation. Strains carrying a conditional β-tubulin mutation (*nda3-KM311*) were cultured at 29°C and then shifted to 16°C for 8-12 hours (labeled as 16°C). For imaging and scoring of meiotic segregation of chromosome 1 in homozygotic cells at MI anaphase or

in four-spored asci (with *cen1*-GFP), haploid strains were crossed on low-nitrogen medium (ME) and incubated at 29°C for 2 or 3 days. Images were taken using a Delta Vision Elite microscope (Applied Precision) with a 60X, 1.42 NA oil lens. Deconvolution and image projections (maximum intensity) were used for further image processing.

Spore viability. Single colonies of each diploid strain were suspended in 30 µl water, and sporulated on ME plates at 29°C for 2 or 3 days, then spread onto YES plate, and four-spored asci were separated by micromanipulation using a glass needle for dissection. The tetrads were incubated at 16°C overnight or 36°C 4 hours, and individual spores from four-spored asci were separated on the plate. The number of the total analyzed spores was scored. Plates were incubated at 26°C for 5-7 days. The number of the viable spores was scored.

Data availability. The raw and processed ChIP-seq data are deposited in the NCBI Gene Expression Omnibus (GEO) under the accession number GSE118016.

Fig. S1. *mhf2∆* **and** *cnp3∆fta6∆* **induce centromere inactivation. (A)** H3K9me2 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric and pericentromeric regions of all three chromosomes in outer kinetochore mutants (brown), inner kinetochore mutants (green), *mhf2∆* (blue) and *cnp3∆fta6∆* (pink) compared to wild-type cells (gray). Strain names are as labeled. Cell cultures were incubated at 26°C (labeled as 26°C), or incubated at 26°C and shifted to 36°C for 6 hours (labeled as 36°C). **(B)** H3K9me2 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric and pericentromeric regions of all three chromosomes in centromereinteracting mutants (black) compared to wild-type cells (gray). #1 and #2, biological replicate 1 and 2. The wild-type ChIP-seq raw data were previously published (3). Diagrams, X axis and Y axis, same as **Fig. 1.**

Fig. S2. The meiotic progeny of diploid *mhf2∆***/***+* **have low viability.** Schematic illustrates the meiotic progeny of *mhf2∆*/*+* asci. The meiotic progeny from *mhf2∆*/*+* diploid cells were dissected on a YES plate and incubated at 26°C. Mini-colonies (red dashed-line circles) from the rare *mhf2∆*/*+* asci with four viable spores were streaked on YES plates, incubated at 26°C for 6 days then re-streaked and incubated at 26°C for 6 days.

Fig. S3. Centromere inactivation occurs postzygotically and independently among *wip1∆, mhf1∆* **and** *mhf2∆* **meiotic progeny. (A)** Cnp1 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric regions of all three chromosomes in randomly chosen *wip1∆, mhf1∆* and *mhf2∆* (*cen1*inactive blue, *cen2*inactive pink, *cen3*inactive green) meiotic haploid progeny compared to wild-type cells (*cen1*/*2*/*3*active gray). **(B)** H3K9me2 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric and pericentromeric regions of all three chromosomes in the meiotic haploid progeny $wip1^+$, $mhf1^+$, $mhf2^+$ (brown) compared to wild-type cells (gray). **(C)** Cnp1 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric and pericentromeric regions of all three chromosomes in the meiotic haploid progeny $wip1^+$, $mhf1^+$, $mhf2^+$ (magenta) compared to wild-type cells (gray). Tested strains were identical to that used in H3K9me2 ChIP-seq analysis as labeled in **(B).** #1 – #3, biological replicate 1 to 3. Diagrams, X axis and Y axis, same as **Fig. 1.**

Fig. S4. CENP-T-W-S-X components are dispensable for the mitotic maintenance of neocentromeres. (A) "Zoomed-in" illustrations of part of **Fig. 3B** to highlight the moderate levels of Cnp1 occupancy on the inactivated centromeres. **(B)** H3K9me2 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric and pericentromeric regions of all three chromosomes in *mhf2*⁺cen1^{inactive} (green) and *mhf2*⁺cen2^{inactive} (yellow) compared to wild-type cells (gray). **(C)** Cnp1 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric and pericentromeric regions of all three chromosomes in identical strains $mhf2^+$ *cen1*^{inactive} (dark blue) and *mhf2*⁺cen2^{inactive} (dark pink) compared to wild-type cells (gray). #2, biological replicate 2. Diagrams, X axis and Y axis, same as **Fig. 1. (D)** Three dots of outer kinetochore Ndc80-GFP observed in *mhf2*⁺ *cen1*active, *mhf2∆cen1*inactive and *mhf2*+*cen1*inactive. Cells were arrested in prometaphase by conditional inactivation of β-tubulin (*nda3-KM311*) at the restrictive temperature 16°C for 10 hours. Scale bar, 2 *µm*.

Cnp1 ChIP-seq A Centromere 1 Centromere 2 *ura4* cassette 2 kb in length 3,750 kb 3,770 kb 3,790 kb 1,600 kb 1,620 kb 1,640 kb 1300 *cen1*inactive #2 0 1300 *cen1*inactive #3 0 1300 *cen1*inactive #4 0 1300 *cen1*inactive #5 0 1300 *cen1*inactive #6 0 1300 *cen1*inactive #7 $\frac{0}{1300}$ *cen1*active #3 $\frac{0}{1300}$ *cen1*active #4 0 *imr1L imr1R tmimr2L imr2R otr cnt2 tDNA otr* < < < < < < < < < < < < < < < < *otr1R::ura4 otr tDNA cnt1 otr1R::ura4* * **B Cnp1 ChIP-seq** Centromere 1 Centromere 2 *ura4* cassette 2 kb in length 3,750 kb 3,770 kb 3,790 kb 1,600 kb 1,620 kb 1,640 kb 1300 *cen2*inactive #2 1300 *cen2*inactive #3 *cen1*active #5 1300 *imr1L imr1R imr2L imr2R otr cnt2 tDNA otr* < < < < < < < < < < < < < < < < *otr tDNA cnt1 otr1R::ura4* * *otr1R::ura4* **H3K9me2 ChIP-seq** Centromere 1 Centromere 2 *ura4* cassette 2 kb in length 3,750 kb 3,770 kb 3,790 kb 1,600 kb 1,620 kb 1,640 kb 600 *cen2*inactive #2 0 600 *cen2*inactive #3 *cen1*active #5 600 **Amala Album** 0 *imr2L imr2R imr1L imr1R otr1R::ura4* * *otr cnt2 tDNA otr* < < < < < < < < < < < < < < < < *otr1R::ura4 otr tDNA cnt1*

Fig. S5. Cnp1 occupancy on the pericentromeric repetitive sequences is ubiquitous and asymmetric for all three centromeres with Cnp1 spreading. (A) Cnp1 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric and pericentromeric regions of all three chromosomes in *cen1*^{inactive} (dark blue) and *cen1*active (magenta) with Cnp1 spreading. **(B)** Cnp1 ChIP-seq reads and H3K9me2 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric and pericentromeric regions of all three chromosomes in *cen2*inactive and *cen1*active with Cnp1 spreading. *ura4* cassette was inserted into the right side of the *otr1R* (*otr1R::ura4*) and labeled by a red asterisk. chromosome 1, 2 and *otr1R::ura4* cassette are shown. #2 – #7, biological replicate 2 to 7. Diagrams, X axis and Y axis, same as **Fig. 1.**

Fig. S6. Heterochromatin modification (H3K9me2) is not required for mitotic maintenance of the

repositioned centromere. (A) Schematics illustrate the deletion of *clr4* in *mhf2∆cen2*inactive (left) and *mhf2*⁺ *cen1*inactive (right) by DNA transformation. **(B)** Cnp1 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric and pericentromeric regions of all three chromosomes in *mhf2∆cen2*inactive (pink) and *clr4∆mhf2∆cen2*inactive (pink). **(C)** Cnp1 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric and pericentromeric regions of all three chromosomes in *clr4∆cen1*active (gray), *mhf2*⁺ *cen1*inactive (dark blue) and *clr4∆cen1*inactive (dark blue) compared to *mhf2*⁺ *cen1*active wildtype (gray). Diagrams, X axis and Y axis, same as **Fig. 1.**

Fig. S7. The spreading of centromeric Cnp1 in $mhf2^+cen1^{\text{active}}$ is caused by $mhf2^+cen1^{\text{inactive}}$ **through meiosis.** (A) Schematic illustrates the meiotic progeny of mhf^2 ⁺ cen1^{active} × mhf^2 ⁺ cen1^{inactive} in asci with four spores. **(B)** H3K9me2 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric and pericentromeric regions of all three chromosomes in four viable progeny from the same asci (tetrad #1 and #2). *cen1*inactive (green) conformed to Mendelian inheritance (2 : 2 segregation pattern). Tested strains of tetrad #1 were identical to that used in H3K9me2 ChIP-seq analysis as labeled in **Fig. 5A. (C)** Cnp1 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric and pericentromeric regions of all three chromosomes in four viable progeny from the same ascus (tetrad $#2$). $mhf2^+$ *cen1*^{inactive} (dark blue) conformed to Mendelian inheritance (2 : 2 segregation pattern). $mhf2^+$ *cen1*^{active} (magenta) exhibited the spreading of Cnp1 into the pericentromeric regions. **SI Appendix, Fig. S7B** and **S7C** used the same strains of tetrad #2. Diagrams, X axis and Y axis, same as **Fig. 1.**

Fig. S8. *mhf2∆* **tends to convert the original centromere into an inactivated one in heterozygous meiosis. (A)** Schematic illustrates the meiotic progeny of $mhf2 + cen1^{active} \times mh2\Delta cen1^{inactive}$ in asci with four spores. **(B)** H3K9me2 ChIP-seq reads and Cnp1 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric and pericentromeric regions of all three chromosomes in four viable meiotic progeny from the tetrad #1 and #2, respectively. *mhf2∆* conformed to Mendelian inheritance (2 : 2 segregation pattern). *cen1*inactive was identified. **(C)** H3K9me2 ChIP-seq reads and Cnp1 ChIP-seq reads mapped to centromeric and pericentromeric regions of all three chromosomes in randomly obtained viable meiotic progeny from *mhf2∆cen1*^{inactive} × *mhf2*⁺*cen1*^{active}. Two *mhf2*⁺*cen1*^{inactive} were identified (#1 – #2). Seven biological replicates $(\#1 - #7)$ of $mhf2^+$ cen1^{active} (magenta) exhibited the spreading of Cnp1 into the pericentromeric regions. Diagrams, X axis and Y axis, same as **Fig. 1.**

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n=410 n=258 n=345 n=282 n=429 100 type I Sister Chromosome 1 segregation (%) Sister Chromosome 1 segregation (%) type II 80 type III 60 40 20 Ω Cross 1 Cross 5 Cross 6 Cross 7 Cross 8

cross A: *mhf2*⁺ *cen1*active (*cen1*-GFP) × *mhf2*⁺ *cen1*active (*cen1*-GFP) cross E: *mhf2*⁺ *cen1*active (*cen1*-GFP) × mhf2∆*cen1*inactive (*cen1*-GFP) cross F: *mhf2*⁺ *cen1*inactive (*cen1*-GFP) × mhf2∆*cen1*inactive (*cen1*-GFP) cross G: mhf2∆*cen1*inactive (*cen1*-GFP) × mhf2∆*cen1*inactive (*cen1*-GFP)

Fig. S9. Abnormal meiotic chromosome segregation accounts for the poor spore viability in heterozygotic meiosis with mismatched centromeres. (A) Both parental cells were labeled with *cen1*-GFP (green dot). The quantification of *cen1*-GFP dots distribution (type I to V) in four-spored asci of heterozygotic and homozygotic meiosis to trace the meiotic segregation of homologous chromosome 1 and sister chromosome 1. Cross A and E, *mhf2*+*cen1*active cells crossed to *mhf2*⁺ *cen1*active and *mhf2∆cen1*inactive cells, respectively. Cross F and G, *mhf2*+*cen1*inactive and *mhf2∆cen1*inactive cells crossed to *mhf2∆cen1*inactive cells, respectively. n, the total four-spored asci analyzed. **(B)** One of the parental cells was labeled with *cen1*-GFP (green dot). The quantification of sister *cen1*-GFP dots distribution (type I to III) in four-spored asci of heterozygotic and homozygotic meiosis to trace the meiotic segregation of sister chromosome 1. Cross 1 and 5, $mhf2 + \text{cen1}^{\text{active}}$ cells crossed to $mhf2 +$ *cen1*active and *mhf2∆cen1*inactive cells, respectively. Cross6, *mhf2*+*cen2*active cells carrying the *cen1*-GFP were crossed to *mhf2∆cen2*inactive cells with mismatched *cen2*. Cross 7 and 8, *mhf2*+*cen1*inactive and *mhf2∆cen1*inactive cells crossed to *mhf2∆cen1*inactive cells. respectively. n, the total four-spored asci analyzed. **(C)** Intact asci with four spores from the above genetic crosses were dissected microscopically and scored for the number of viable spores. Spore viability was calculated as the ratio of the number of viable spores to the number of analyzed spores. n, the total spores analyzed.

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	Spore viability	Total dissected asci (n)	Viable deletion progeny: Viable wild-type progeny
wild type $(+/+)$	94.68%	47	0:178
$wipI\Delta/+$	44.8%	48	41:45
$mhfI\Delta/+$	48.0%	48	44:48
$mhf2\Delta/+$	46.5%	36	35:32

Table S1. Spore lethality is random among the meiotic progeny of diploid $wip1\Delta/+$, $mhf1\Delta/+$ and *mhf2∆***/***+*

The wild-type diploid and heterozygous deletion diploid strains were subjected to tetrad dissection. Intact asci with four spores were dissected microscopically and scored for the number of viable spores. Spore viability is calculated as the ratio of the number of viable spores to the number of analyzed spores. The number of viable deletion progeny and viable wild-type progeny were counted.

Genotype	Strain	\overline{cen} $\overline{I}^{\text{inactive}}$	$cen^{\frac{1}{2}$ ^{mactive}	cen3 ^{inactive}
	LM999	$^{+}$		
$wipI\Delta$	LM1000		$^{+}$	
$mhfI\Delta$	LM997		$+$	
	LM998			$^{+}$
	LM705	$^{+}$		
	LM722		$^{+}$	
	LM732		$^{+}$	
$mhf2\Delta$	LM734			$+$
	LM735			$^{+}$
	LM725			$+$

Table S2. Centromere inactivation occurs randomly in one of the three centromeres in *wip1∆***,** *mhf1∆* **and** *mhf2∆*

Cross	Spore viability	Dissected Asci (n)	Asci with 4 viable spores	Asci with one or no viable spores	Meiosis barrier
$mhf2 + cenI^{\text{inactive}} \times$ $mhf2\Delta cenI^{\text{inactive}}$	91.3%	204	76%	1.96%	\times
$mhf2$ + cen I ^{inactive} \times $mhf2\Delta cen2^{\text{inactive}}$	26.8%	291	0.34%	69.1%	\mathcal{L}
$mhf2\Delta cenI^{\text{inactive}} \times$ $mhf2\Delta cen2^{\text{inactive}}$	20.0%	251	0.40%	78.9%	\mathcal{N}

Table S3. Incompatibility between neocentromeres and original centromeres causes a meiosis barrier

Additional genetic crosses between cells with mismatched (*mhf2*+*cen1*inactive × *mhf2∆cen2*inactive, *mhf2∆cen1*inactive × *mhf2∆cen2*inactive) or matched (*mhf2*+*cen1*inactive × *mhf2∆cen1*inactive) centromeres were subjected to tetrad dissection. Intact asci with four spores were dissected microscopically and scored for the number of viable spores. Spore viability is calculated as the ratio of the number of viable spores to the number of analyzed spores. $> 50\%$ reduction in spore viability is defined as meiosis barrier.

Cross	Dissected Asci (n)	Asci with 4 viable spores	Asci with 3 viable spores	Asci with 2 viable spores	Asci with 1 viable spore	Asci with 0 viable spore
$mhf2 + cen1^{\text{active}} \times$ $mhf2 + cen1^{active}$	130	80%	14.6%	3.8%	0.77%	0.77%
$mhf2\Delta cen\,I^\mathrm{inactive}\times$ $mhf2 + cen1^{active}$	254	5.9%	10.6%	30.7%	29.1%	24.0%
$mhf2 + cen1^{\text{inactive}} \times$ $mhf2 + cen1^{\text{active}}$	272	4.04%	1.1%	25.4%	30.5%	39.0%
$mhf2 + cen1^\mathrm{inactive} \times$ $mhf2+cenIinactive\#1$	108	68.5%	24.1%	5.6%	1.9%	0%
$mhf2 + cen1^{\text{inactive}} \times$ $mhf2 + cenI^{\text{inactive}}\#2$	106	9.4%	18.9%	9.4%	12.3%	50%
mhf2 + cen1inactive \times $mhf2 + cen2$ ^{inactive}	377	0.80%	4.0%	14.1%	35.8%	45.4%
mhf2 + cen1inactive \times $mhf2\Delta cenI^{\rm inactive}$	204	76%	16.7%	5.4%	0.49%	1.47%
$mhf2 + cen1^{\text{inactive}} \times$ $mhf2\Delta cen2^{\rm inactive}$	291	0.34%	4.1%	26.5%	40.6%	28.5%
mhf2 Δ cen1 ^{inactive} × $mhf2\Delta cen2^{\text{inactive}}$	251	0.40%	2.0%	18.7%	35.1%	43.8%

Table S4. Incompatibility between neocentromeres and original centromeres causes poor progeny viability and represents a meiosis barrier

Detailed information of all the genetic crossings in Table 1 and Table S3.

Table S5. List of *S. pombe* **strains used in this study**

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